

LONGER WORKING DAY MEETING OPPOSITION

Federal Employees' Union Will Consider Increased Hours Tonight.

Strong opposition to the plan of working the government clerks overtime without additional pay looms large on the horizon, and the meeting of the advisory committee of the board of representatives of the Federal Employees' Union tonight is expected to develop a lively discussion on the question.

At the navy yard and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, as well as at the Government Printing Office, time and one-half is paid for overtime.

In other government departments where a union scale does not regulate the wages, the clerks and other employees will not be given this overtime compensation.

Some members of the board of representatives of the Federal employees feel that a spirit of patriotism ought to animate the employees and lead to a voluntary overtime service to the government in the existing crisis.

Opposed to these members are others who believe that they should stand by the American Federation of Labor, with which the union is affiliated, and which is unalterably opposed to overtime work without overtime payments. Another reason advanced against the overtime day is that the experience of England and the warring countries has disclosed that the long working day leads to decreased efficiency.

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the National American Women's Suffrage Association, yesterday made a vigorous protest to the Secretary of the Treasury against the 12-hour day for the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

COL. W. O. DREW, FORMER FIRE MARSHAL, DEAD

Col. William Oliver Drew, former District fire marshal and chief, civil war veteran, and a lifelong resident of the District of Columbia, died in his sleep yesterday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Clara I. Goodwin, 3233 Prospect avenue, Georgetown. He served in the Army of the Potomac.

Col. Drew was born in this city September 4, 1838. He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Clara I. Goodwin, 3233 Prospect avenue; Mrs. Annie E. Kurtz, 2113 P street, and Mrs. Emma F. Carroll, 1503 Twelfth street, and a son, George Washington Drew.

WIFE WANTS CHILDREN.

Lula E. Weed, of This City, Sues for Absolute Divorce.

Lula E. Weed yesterday filed in the District Supreme Court a suit for an absolute divorce from Louis A. Weed, through Attorney Thomas H. Patterson.

The Weeds were married in Atlantic City, N. J., on March 25, 1910, and permanently separated, it is declared, on January 22, 1917. Mr. Weed is employed in a local automobile garage.

The wife asks that she be awarded the custody of her two children. Justice Stafford issued a rule demanding Weed to show cause on April 27 why his wife should not be granted the divorce.

CONDUIT ROAD HEARING.

Engineer, Commissioner Kutz took up the matter of widening Conduit Road between Foxhall Hill and Reservoir street to a width of ninety feet with a committee representing the Conduit Road Citizens' Association yesterday. The committee included F. T. Shull, W. T. Franklin and L. E. White.



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RINGLING BROTHERS' BIG CIRCUS COMING

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Little boys and girls all over the city are wearing that "glad smile" that won't come off. Why? The circus is coming. Ringling Brothers'—mystical, tented city of thrills, spangles and stardust—will play two days in Washington. It is their bi-annual appearance here, and an entirely new program is promised. The grounds will be located at Fifteenth and H streets northeast.

Never before in the history of the circus herders and harbingers was there anything to compare with this "circus of circuses," if the posters are to be believed; and the Ringlings have long since established a reputation for "making good" their promise.

The biggest feature for this year's show is a fairland spectacle, "Cinderella," built around one of the most well-known and favorite fables of youth. Over a million dollars were spent, it is announced, on the scenery, costumes and properties. It is presented on the largest portable stage in the world, as a special train is required to transport it, and it enlists the services of 1,250 actors, 300 ballet girls, 36 camels and 735 horses to properly present it.

The regular circus program which follows the spectacle, boasts a number of new novelties this year. Hillary Lou, who rides and dances on his head; ten speed mechanics who assemble an automobile in six minutes; and a group of Australian woodchoppers and the champion orange packers of California, are among the novelties. The menagerie contains 1,003 wild animals, many of them new to America.

STAGE STARS TO APPEAR IN AID OF RECRUITING

Monster Benefit to Raise Funds for Pushing Navy Enlistment.

Special to The Washington Herald.
New York, April 22.—To stimulate enthusiastic enlistment in the navy, the Woman's Auxiliary for Navy Recruiting will hold the first benefit for American defense at the Metropolitan Opera House next Sunday, when noted men and women opera singers and leading figures of the American stage will appear. The proceeds will be devoted to promoting recruiting for the United States navy.

The program was arranged under the direction of Daniel Mayer, the London impresario. The patronesses are Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, Mrs. William C. Crumpacker, president; Mrs. Charles Francis Bedell, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Arthur T. Chester, Mrs. William Henry Smith, Miss Lucy Price, directors; Lady Briggs, of England; Mrs. A. Pascal, Miss Mary Davidson, Miss Shingley, Miss Diana Lemee, Mrs. John Grady, Miss Elizabeth Aldrich, Miss Jessup, Miss Johnson, Miss Moore, Mrs. Anna Martin, Mrs. Julian Heath, Miss Ethel de Cordy Bracher, Miss Sara C. Evans, Mrs. Howard Sharp, Miss Alice Moore, Miss Dorothy Carothers, Miss Florence Clark, Mrs. Augustus Strong Mapes, Mrs. Clarence MacDermott, Mrs. (Admiral) Usher, Mrs. Marion Wendell Hill, Mrs. Edna Moore, Mrs. Estelle Chaffin, Mrs. R. T. Smallwood, Mrs. J. M. Mitchell, Mrs. Lee McCann and Mrs. Maud Canfield, members on committees.

Officers and members of the auxiliary who are actively working for the recruiting of the navy are Mrs. Margaret C. Crumpacker, president; Mrs. Charles Francis Bedell, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Arthur T. Chester, Mrs. William Henry Smith, Miss Lucy Price, directors; Lady Briggs, of England; Mrs. A. Pascal, Miss Mary Davidson, Miss Shingley, Miss Diana Lemee, Mrs. John Grady, Miss Elizabeth Aldrich, Miss Jessup, Miss Johnson, Miss Moore, Mrs. Anna Martin, Mrs. Julian Heath, Miss Ethel de Cordy Bracher, Miss Sara C. Evans, Mrs. Howard Sharp, Miss Alice Moore, Miss Dorothy Carothers, Miss Florence Clark, Mrs. Augustus Strong Mapes, Mrs. Clarence MacDermott, Mrs. (Admiral) Usher, Mrs. Marion Wendell Hill, Mrs. Edna Moore, Mrs. Estelle Chaffin, Mrs. R. T. Smallwood, Mrs. J. M. Mitchell, Mrs. Lee McCann and Mrs. Maud Canfield, members on committees.

Wants to Be Married, but— Forgets Minister and Girl

The time, the place—but not the girl! Slipped up in his Sunday best, Josh Ornton, 30, from over Richmond way, appeared under the sprig of mistletoe of Col. Kroll's bower in the marriage license office of the District Supreme Court early yesterday morning. "I'd like to have a license, boss," Josh told the colonel. "All right," Col. Kroll answered cheerfully. "Who is the minister you have gotten to perform the ceremony?" "Here he is, sir," Josh returned confidently handing him a card bearing the name of a pastor in Richmond, Va. "That minister won't do," Col. Kroll informed him. "You will have to find one in this city."

Josh waxing thoughtful brushed several beads of perspiration which had collected on his forehead. "Golly, but I've left my gall in Richmond too."

"Baby" Congressman Busy With "Pork Barrel" Bills

Although he is a so-called "baby" member of Congress, Representative Thomas L. Blanton, of Texas, bids fair to earn an early reputation as a "pork barrel" legislator.

He introduced seventeen bills yesterday, which would have Congress appropriate approximately \$250,000 for public buildings within the confines of his district.

Another bill which he fathers would have \$15,000,000 appropriated for a national highway, and for good measure a \$100,000,000 appropriation for Federal refund of cotton taxes alleged to have been collected illegally years ago from cotton planters of the South, many of whom reside in the Lone Star State.

None of the bills are expected to be considered at the present session.

FUNERALS.

Funeral services will be held today for James A. Martin, at the home of his mother, Mrs. A. R. Martin, in Takoma Park. Interment will be in Rock Creek Cemetery.

Mr. Martin, who was electrical representative of the Bethlehem Steel Company, was for many years a resident of Takoma Park, Md.

He is survived by his widow, who was formerly Mrs. Bertha Weston Martin, a resident of Petworth, and an infant daughter.

Funeral services for Charles Rhodes will be held from the residence, 309 E street northwest, this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Interment will be in Arlington.

Mr. Rhodes, who was seventy-five years old, for twenty years was an employee of the Pension Office. He was a civil war veteran.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary E. Rhodes, and three children, Mrs. James M. Payne, C. Percy Rhodes and John D. Rhodes, all of this city.

TELEPHONE EXPERT CALLED.

John J. Carty, telephone expert of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, who holds a major's commission in the signal officers' reserve corps, was yesterday afternoon called into active service. Maj. Carty, who lives in New York, is the head of the complete signal corps companies composed entirely of telephone employees.

HOME DEFENSE LEAGUE FUND GROWS RAPIDLY

Donations toward defraying the expenses of the District Home Defense League are being received daily by Maj. Pullman, superintendent of police and chairman of the executive committee, and the receipt of a check for \$500 from William P. Eno last week brings the total fund up to \$323.

While money subscriptions are not required of applicants or members, donations ranging from \$1 to \$25 have been received from more than 125 persons, and will be used by the executive committee to defray the actual expenses of the league.

The first automobile units will be organized this week. Applications for membership in the league continue to pour steadily into headquarters and it is expected that the full quota of 4,000 will be reached within a few days.

RED CROSS PROTESTS.

Paris, April 22.—A protest against the sinking of allied hospital ships has been made to the German government by the international committee of the Red Cross. The protest is directed specifically against the destruction of the Red Cross ship Asturias.

The Red Cross committee at Geneva has sent to Washington a list of American citizens who were taken to Germany on the prison ship Yarrowdale.

STRANDED SUB FLOATED.

The American submarine H-3, wrecked on a sand-bar off Eureka, Cal., several weeks ago, has been taken off and towed to the Mare Island navy yard. It was announced by the Navy Department last yesterday afternoon. The cruiser Milwaukee, wrecked when she was trying to assist the submersible, is still stranded.

VOLUNTEER FARMERS START GARDEN PLANS

Capital Club Outlines Work to Aid in Food Increase.

A large number of volunteer farmers attended a meeting of the Capital Garden Club yesterday afternoon at the Willard Hotel. Details of the part the organization will take in the community movement here were outlined and several interesting addresses were made.

Representative Lever, of South Carolina, discussed the general food situation in the United States, and was followed by Charles F. Nesbit, who talked of the food situation in the District of Columbia. John Dolph, chairman of the central garden committee, described the work being done by that body, while Ernest L. Thurston, superintendent of public schools, told of the work being undertaken by the schools here. O. H. Benson, of the Department of Agriculture, stated that gardening in Washington had increased 50 per cent since last year. He also laid emphasis on the canning of garden products for winter use.

MEASLES EPIDEMIC GROWING.

The epidemic of measles, which includes 60 cases known to the health department, was increased by an additional thirty-six cases reported yesterday. Last week and the week previous 279 cases of measles were under treatment by the department and the officials say it is one of the worst epidemics in the history of the District.

The health department calls attention to the regulation requiring the isolation of the patient, and that the case be immediately reported to the health department.

LOCAL COURT JUSTICE READY TO RETIRE SOON

Beth Shepard, chief justice of the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia, yesterday attained the age of 70 years and is now eligible to retire, having served twenty-four years as a justice of the court. For the last twelve years he has been chief justice.

Although Chief Justice Shepard has not as yet fixed a date for severing his connection with the court, it is not likely that he will sit after this month.

Formal leave-taking of Chief Justice Shepard by the members of the Bar Association and the patent lawyers is scheduled for Saturday, April 28. The ceremonies in connection with the retirement will begin at 11 o'clock. Members of the bench of the District Supreme Court also are expected to attend.

New Merchant Marine Estimate \$49,660,800

For the 1914 merchant vessels contemplated to be constructed under the direction of Col. Goethals, Secretary of the Navy, Daniels sent supplemental estimates of \$49,660,800 to Congress yesterday.

This amount will be spent in arming the ships to be built for rehabilitating the American merchant marine, \$29,672,000 for guns for the vessels and \$19,988,800 for armament.

RETIRED OFFICER RECALLED.

A striking illustration of the pressing need of officers in the regular service was afforded yesterday afternoon by the calling back into active service of Col. William A. Glassford within twenty-four hours after he had been placed upon the retired list. Col. Glassford has been in charge of the aviation school at San Diego.

KILL AN ALLEY CAT AND BE PATRIOTIC

Campaign Against Felines Begins with Meeting of Mothers' Congress.

This is the day the District Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teachers' associations begin their crusade against the stray cat. They will seek to line up the membership of the National Congress of Mothers, which opens a session at the Raleigh this afternoon, in favor of the slogan:

"Kill a Cat for Your Country."

Dr. William C. Woodward, District health officer, told The Washington Herald yesterday that the health department asphyxiates stray cats with the same ease that the Germans asphyxiate an enemy regiment.

"We put them in a covered cage, turn on a little poison gas, and it's good-by cat. We kill about 1,200 cats a month for citizens of the District, and about 20 of these cats are caught in our traps which we loan to anyone who wants them," explained Dr. Woodward.

Cat lovers of Washington, notably the Washington Cat Shelter officials, indicated yesterday that they will strenuously fight any effort to wage a war on the cat. "Whoever heard of a cat giving a child mange?" said one cat lover yesterday. "I've known a lot of children, but I never knew one with the mange!"

Mechanism whereby the music of a piano and phonograph can be combined has been patented by a New Jersey inventor.

SENATE BEGINS PROBE INTO CARMEN'S STRIKE

Will Follow Court Procedure in Adjudication of Trouble.

Opening of the Senate investigation of the differences between the Washington Railway and Electric Company and its employees, yesterday disclosed that the preliminary skirmish between employees and officials will be a battle of legal statements.

Senator Key Pittman, acting chairman of the Senate investigating committee, announced after an executive session that the contending forces submit briefs.

The employees, through their grievance committee, headed by George A. Wilburt, president of the local branch of the Amalgamated Street Railway and Electric Employees' Association, were instructed to file a formal complaint setting forth their grievances, and the company, through its president, Clarence P. King, was instructed to file an answer.

This action was taken to expedite the hearings and to confine the investigation to major questions in dispute. Court procedure will be followed as closely as possible in the adjudication of the trouble.

James H. Vahey, chief counsel of the Amalgamated Association, will draw up the complaint containing the employees' grievances, and the legal department of the company will file a reply on behalf of the company.

Senator Pittman presided yesterday in the absence of Senator Hughes, chairman of the investigating committee, who is ill at the Garfield Memorial Hospital.

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